

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS
(AS ON AMENDED SHEETS ANNEXED TO IPER)

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (original) A support based on organic and/or inorganic fibres covered on at least one of the faces thereof with a chitosan-based layer, characterized in that the layer is obtained by coating with a chitosan-based aqueous solution, the average molar mass of which has a mass less than 130 000 g/mol, the concentration of which is between 6 and 30 % by weight.

2. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the chitosan is deposited in an amount of from 6 to 15 g/m² in dry matter.

3. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the layer is in the form of continuous film.

4. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the chitosan average molar mass has a mass of between 15 000 and 40 000 g/mol.

5. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the chitosan concentration in the solution is between 7 and 12 %..

6. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the chitosan is dissolved in the aqueous solution in the presence of citric acid.

7. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the chitosan-based layer contains at least 80 % by weight of chitosan.

8. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the amount of the deposited chitosan is 7 g/m² in dry matter.

9. (original) A support according to claim 1, characterised in that the chitosan-based layer is covered with a wax layer.

10. (currently amended) A manufacturing process of a support object of ~~any of the claims from 1 to 9~~ claim 1.

11. (original) A manufacturing process according to claim 12, characterized in that the coating with the aqueous solution is performed in only one step.

12. (original) A manufacturing process according to claim 13, characterized in that the coating is performed by the Meyer bar or blade type coating, metering size-press, coating with an engraved cylinder by direct coating, by transfert coating or reverse coating, curtain coating, by size-press.

13. (currently amended) A manufacturing process according to ~~claims 10 or 12~~ claim 10, characterized in that the wax is introduced in the form of an aqueous solution in the chitosan solution, the wax representing between 0,1 and 20 % by weight of the chitosan.